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more than one tang can be provided on the lid with corresponding grooves on the bucket.

As in the previous embodiment, the upper surface of the lid is recessed at 32 to prevent damage to the wing nut and threaded post and to facilitate easy wing nut operation. Also, as in the previous embodiment, the recessed area is made circular and large enough to encompass the base of a lantern placed therein. In this modification, however, a concentric upstanding inner shoulder 33 is provided within recess 32 to surround with smaller bases. The inner shoulder does not extend to the top of the recess, thereby allowing larger base lanterns to fit over the shoulder and within the recess, when in use.

One or more compartments 34 are formed by the bucket wall, the bucket base and an upstanding partition 35 extending parallel to the wall surface for a desired distance. The previously mentioned lantern accessories are easily stored in this compartment.

To enable the container to be more easily carried, a bracket 36, having three finger holes 37 therein, is mounted adjacent the top rim of the bucket. Because of plastic's relatively low cost and the ease with which it is formed, the container is preferably formed of high impact plastic, but other rigid materials, such as metal, could be utilized.

Whereas there are here illustrated and specifically described certain preferred constructions of apparatus which are presently regarded as the best modes of carrying out the invention, it should be understood that various changes may be made and other constructions adopted without departing from the inventive subject matter particularly pointed out and claimed herebelow.

I claim:

1. A container for camp lanterns having a circular base and a threaded top post comprising: a bucket; a plurality of grooves extending from the top rim of the bucket downwardly along the bucket wall to varying depths; a lid adapted to telescopingly seal said bucket; a tang on the telescoping surface of the lid, said tang being adapted to individually mate with each of the grooves thereby limiting telescoping movement between the bucket and lid; a circular groove formed on the inside bottom of the bucket and adapted to receive the base of a camp

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lantern; a hole through said lid adapted to receive the threaded top post of a camp lantern; and a circular recess formed in the top surface of said lid in surrounding relationship to said hole, said recess being just large enough to surround the base of a camp lantern and having sufficient depth that a nut screwed onto said top post and into engagement with the surface of said recess does not extend upwardly beyond the top surface of said lid.

2. The container of claim 1, wherein the circular groove formed on the inside bottom of the bucket is defined by a pair of concentric shoulders, upstanding from the flat bottom of the bucket and wherein the inner shoulder is shorter than the outer one.

3. The container of claim 2, wherein the recess in the lid has the same diameter as the outer concentric shoulder upstanding from the flat bottom of the bucket and wherein a circular shoulder extends upwardly from said recessed area, said shoulder having the same diameter as the inner concentric shoulder upstanding from the flat bottom of the bucket.

4. The container of claim 3, wherein carrying handle means are provided on the outside of the bucket adjacent the rim thereof.

5. The container of claim 4, wherein said container has a compartment formed by the bucket wall, the bucket bottom and an upstanding wall extending parallel to the bucket wall and partially around the outer concentric shoulder and wherein said bucket and said lid and constructed of high impact plastic.

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